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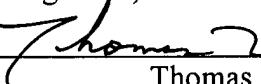
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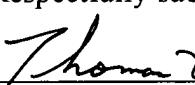

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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

This is a petition for an two-month extension of time to respond to the Office Action mailed May 15, 2000. With the extension, the response is due on or before August 15, 2000.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the two (2) month extension fee of \$380.00 to Deposit Account No. 05-0258. Applicant also hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0258 any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.16 and §1.17 which may be required by the filing of this paper.

Respectfully submitted,


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